Distribution of Agricultural loans through Co-operative Societies.

15. *MR. M. N. NARAYANA MENON (*Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Economic Depression Enquiry Committee has recommended that an allotment should be made every year for the distribution of agricultural loans through Co-operative Societies, and

(*b*) whether they have acted accordingly ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI : (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

(*b*) In view of the above answer, this question does not arise.

Opening of a Dispensary at Ankamali.

16. *MR. G. NARAYANA AIYAR (*Kunnatnad cum Parur*) : Will the Government be pleased to state what action they have taken on the memorial presented by the inhabitants of Kothakulangara *p kuthi* of the Kunnatnad taluk praying for the opening of a dispensary at Ankamali ?

MRS. M. POONEN LUKOSE : The question of opening a dispensary at Ankamali will be considered when the opening of new dispensaries is sanctioned.

MR. G. NARAYANA AIYAR : May I ask the member when was the first memorial received ?

MRS. M. POONEN LUKOSE : About ten years ago.

MR. G. NARAYANA AIYAR : May I know from the member whether Government received memorials in successive years also ?

MRS. M. POONEN LUKOSE : Yes, two or three memorials have been received.

MR. G. NARAYANA AIYAR : Is it a fact that the Inspecting Medical Officer inspected the locality and reported the necessity for the hospital ?

MRS. M. POONEN LUKOSE : Yes.

MR. G. NARAYANA AIYAR : May I know, when was the first report submitted ?

MRS. M. POONEN LUKOSE : The first report was about two years ago, and the second report was received about two weeks ago.

MR. KOMILEZHATHU SANKARAN : May I know from the member the policy of Government in the establishment of dispensaries in the State ?

MRS. M. POONEN LUKOSE : The distance from the nearest Government or grant-in-aid institution, the population of the place, and the healthiness or otherwise of the locality are the important factors taken into consideration for the opening of new dispensaries.

MR. KOMILEZHATHU SANKARAN : May I know what is the density of population required for putting up a hospital ?

MRS. M. POONEN LUKOSE : About 50,000.

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